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MEMBERSHIP IN SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL

REF: A) LONDON 19557, B) ANKARA 9240, C) COPENHAGEN 3693

1. FROM OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH BERNT CARLSSON, INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY OF SWEDISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY, IT APPEARS THAT SWEDISH SOCDEM PARTY IS APPROACHING QUESTION OF TURKISH REPUBLICAN PEOPLE'S PARTY (RPP) MEMBERSHIP IN SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL MORE CAUTIOUSLY THAN THEIR DANISH COLLEAGUES (REF C). CARLSSON EMPHASIZED TO AMBASSADOR THE DEEP IMPRESSION ECEVIT MADE ON SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC LEADERS, AND SAID SWEDES REGARD HIM AS A TRUE SOCIALIST. HOWEVER, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARDS RPP APPEARS TO BE MORE AMBIVALENT.

IN ANSWER TO QUESTION FROM POLITICAL COUNSELOR,
CARLSSON SAID SWEDES HAD NOT BEEN DIRECTLY ASKED BY ECEVIT
TO SUPPORT RPP MEMBERSHIP IN SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL NOR
HAD SWEDES VOLUNTEERED TO SUPPORT SUCH A MOVE. HOWEVER,
CARLSSON ADDED THAT SOCIAL DEMOCRATS WOULD HAVE "NO
RPT NO OBJECTION" TO RPP JOINING SI. HE ADDED, "WE ARE
NOT NEGATIVE, BUT HAVE NOT RPT NOT COMMITTED OURSELVES."

2. TURKISH COUNSELOR TOLD DCM THAT ECEVIT DEPARTED WITH
CONVICTION HE COULD COUNT ON PALME'S SUPPORT FOR RPP
ADHERENCE TO SI.

3. IT WOULD APPEAR LIKELY THAT THE SWEDISH PARTY
WILL GO ALONG WITH ANY MOVE TO BRING RPP INTO SI.
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